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WO 00/60995	10/19/00	PCT
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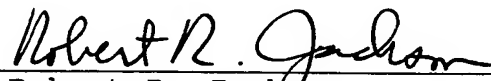
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